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Family-Oriented Lewis and Clark Exhibit at Fair St. Louis

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St. Louis, MO – The National Park Service (NPS) will continue to commemorate the Bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark Expedition with a special hands-on, family-oriented exhibit on the grounds of the Gateway Arch during Fair St. Louis. From 10:00 am – 8:00 pm on July 2-4, the NPS will host *On the Trail with Lewis and Clark* in an exhibit tent just south of the Arch.

In the exhibit, Park Rangers and volunteers from Jefferson National Expansion Memorial will assist "travelers" along a special "trail" which represents the segment of the journey covered by the Corps of Discovery in 1804. Along the exhibit "trail" will be six discovery stations featuring creative and fun hands-on activities for families and children. Everyone completing a journal entry based on the activities at each station will receive a commemorative Lewis and Clark Trail pin at the end of the journey.

On the Trail with Lewis and Clark is a continuation of last year's exhibit in which travelers covered the 1803 segment of the expedition from Washington D.C. to St. Louis. This year the exhibit will cover the trail from the St. Louis area to the Mandan villages on the upper Missouri River where the Corps of Discovery spent the winter of 1804-1805.

Learning about Lewis and Clark does not end with this outdoor exhibit. Inside the NPS visitor center the 45 minute large-format film *Lewis and Clark: Great Journey West* will play every hour in the Odyssey Theatre starting at 9:30 a.m., with the last showing at 5:30 p.m. Inside the Museum of Westward Expansion the free special exhibit *Lewis and Clark: Imaging the Expedition from St. Louis* will be open from 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

During Fair St. Louis the Gateway Arch and Museum of Westward Expansion will have special hours, from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. The Museum and all Ranger-led programs are free of charge. The price of the movie is \$7 for adults, \$4 for youth, and \$2.50 for children. For more information about the park call 314-655-1600 or visit www.nps.gov/jeff on the Internet.

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